



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Department of Environmental Management
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RE: Phase II Remedial Investigation Report Old Fire Fighter Training Area, Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, Rhode Island.

Dear Ms. Carlson:

The Division has received your letter dated 1 December 1994 concerning the Phase II Remedial Investigation Report for the Old Fire Fighter Training Area. The Navy has recommended conducting a conference call or a meeting to discuss the remaining concerns of the State. The Division is willing to use this venue to discuss the concerns of the State. The Division is also willing to submit written responses to the Navy, so that the Navy may prepare for the conference call or meeting.

The Navy has suggested that once the non-ecological related concerns of the State are resolved an amended Phase II Remedial Investigation Report will be submitted to the regulatory agencies. The Navy has also requested that the regulatory agencies approve all portions of the Phase II Remedial Investigations Report which does not deal with the ecological risk assessment. Information obtained during the ecological risk assessment may alter other portions of the report. Therefore, the Division feels that it is not appropriate to approve the non-ecological risk portions of the report at this time.

Furthermore, considering the State's position concerning the finalization of non-ecological risk portions of the Phase II Remedial Investigation Report, there does not appear to be any advantage in submitting an additional draft to a document which will not be approved until the conclusion of the ecological risk assessment. Therefore, the Division recommends that the Navy wait until the conclusion of the ecological risk assessment before submitting a draft document.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact me at (401) 277-3872, ext. 7111.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Kulpa". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

Paul Kulpa
Division of Site Remediation

cc: Warren S. Angell, DEM DSR
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